

**MICHIGAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO
THE U.S. COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS
MEETING MINUTES**

October 03, 2016

The Michigan Advisory Committee to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights (Committee) convened via teleconference to discuss approval of a draft report regarding civil rights and civil asset forfeiture in the State. Donna Budnick chaired the meeting and performed the initial roll call of committee members present. The meeting was open to the public and took place from 11:00 AM to 11:15 AM EDT.

State Advisory Committee Members Present

1. Budnick, Donna (Chair)
2. Dievendorf, Emily
3. Prescott, James J
4. Kommareddi, Jayashree
5. Hoadley, Jon
6. Prescott, Sarah

Commission Staff Present

- Wojnaroski, Melissa (DFO)

Members of the Public Present

- None identified

Meeting Notes/Decisions Made

The Committee reviewed a draft report regarding testimony received on civil asset forfeiture in Michigan (v 10.03.16, attached).

Jon Hoadley moved to approve the report: “Civil Rights and Asset Forfeiture in Michigan: A Briefing Report of the Michigan Advisory Committee to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, September 2016” for publication as drafted.

Emily Dievendorf seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously by a voice vote.

[Note: upon publication, the report date was changed to October 2016, to reflect the date of Committee final publication approval]

Next Steps

- The report will be submitted for publication on the USCCR website
- USCCR staff will produce a press release announcing the report’s publication
- Committee members will be advised of the publication and press release, and are encouraged to share with their contacts

- Committee Chair, Donna Budnick, will be invited to present the report's findings and recommendations to the Commissioners at an upcoming Commission meeting (November, 2016)
- Committee members will be advised of the Chair's presentation and offered the opportunity to listen via conference call

Committee Terms

Current Committee member appointments expire January 28, 2017. USCCR staff will be contacting all Committee members to confirm their intent to return for another term on the Committee or not to return.

Those who wish to return for another term should contact Carolyn Allen at callen@usCCR.gov or 312-353-8311 to confirm if they have not done so already.

The Commission is now accepting nominations for the Michigan Advisory Committee 2017 appointments. Committee members who would like to submit notations for the 2017 Committee should contact USCCR staff.

Please note: beginning in 2016, the Commission has extended appointment terms to 4 years. Members appointed or re-appointed to the Michigan Advisory Committee in 2017 will serve for a 4 year term.

Public Comment

No public comment was received

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:15 AM EDT

Next Meeting

TBD